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REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted prior to the receipt of the initial Patent Office Action.

The subject application claims benefit of International Application No.

PCT/GB2004/000004.

The submission of this Preliminary Amendment is to avoid the payment of fees for multiple dependent claims. In the attached Transmittal Letter, the fee calculations are made to

reflect no multiple dependent claims as effected by this Preliminary Amendment.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully asserts that this application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner is unable to allow this application, he or she is requested to place a telephone call to the undersigned to suggest those amendments, whereby this application may be speedily prosecuted to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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